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## **KATHLEEN GERSHMAN TO BE NAMED TO PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE ARTS AT THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS**

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) — U.S. Senator Byron Dorgan announced Thursday that President Clinton plans to appoint Dr. Kathleen Gershman of Grand Forks to the President's Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Dr. Gershman is Professor of Educational Foundations and Research, College of Education and Human Development at the University of North Dakota. As a member of the President's Advisory Committee on the Arts, she will advise and consult with the Board of Trustees for the Kennedy Center and make recommendations to the Board regarding cultural activities at the center.

"This is a special honor and opportunity for Dr. Gershman," Dorgan said. "Her experience as an educator, author and arts advisor make her exceptionally qualified to assist the Kennedy Center in bringing performances and other cultural activities to a national audience."

Dr. Gershman is the author of numerous books on education, including *Knowing as Participation; Education, Modernity and Fractured Meaning*; and *To and Fro: Education for the Art Life*. She is President of the Grand Forks Foundation for Education and serves on the boards of the North Dakota Arts Alliance, the North Valley Arts Council, and the North Dakota Ballet Company. She currently serves as a member of the National Committee for the Performing Arts at the Kennedy Center. She is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts, where she earned a B.A. in Anthropology. Dr. Gershman received both a Master's and a Doctorate in Education from Harvard University.

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